thousand rupees in Calicut and about 10 thousand rupees in Alleppey. If the Municipality is willing to come forward with the necessary funds it will be the duty of the Government to consider this question. That forms primarily the duty of the Municipality.

**Mr. C. R. Iyyunni** *(Trichur-South):* May I know whether it was a success at Alleppey or Calicut?

**Dr. A. R. Menon** *(Minister for Rural Development):* To a very great extent. But I do not think that it is an air-proof one.

**Mr. A. V. Moothedan** *(Chalakkudi):* During the last Budget Session there were several motions on this subject.

**Dr. A. R. Menon** *(Minister for Rural Development):* But where is the fund to come from?

**Mr. A. V. Moothedan** *(Chalakkudi):* I belong to the opposition. I cannot find funds.

**Dr. A. R. Menon** *(Minister for Rural Development):* It is the duty of the House to show the Government the where-with-all to meet this expenditure, for example a recommendation to levy a tax, etc.

**Mr. K. M. Ibrahim** *(Cranganur):* If we bring forward a measure to levy super-tax it will be opposed by Government by saying that they are to bring such recommendations.

**Mr. A. B. Salem** *(Mattancheri):* Have the Government got a copy of the report on fisheries of the Madras Government?

**Dr. A. R. Menon** *(Minister for Rural Development):* Yes.

**Mr. C. V. Iyyu** *(Kunnamkulam):* I had pointed out one method of revenue in my Income-tax Amendment Bill. But the Congress Party opposed it.

**Dr. A. R. Menon** *(Minister for Rural Development):* They may have their reasons to oppose it.

## KOONAMOOCHI PEOPLE—GRIEVANCES OF

**8. Mr. C. V. Iyyu** *(Kunnamkulam):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) whether the Government have noted the representation of the Koonamoochi people in their memorial presented to the Hon'ble the Minister in Kumbham 1114, paragraphs 4 and 5 in pages 3 and 4 of the

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memorial about (*i*) the bathing facilities for the people (*ii*) certain approach roads to the tank and (*iii*) a raised foot-path through Kandikulam *padam* from പാക്കളങ്ങാട്ട് to the west of Koonamoochi;

(*b*) whether the Government be pleased to print and place on the table the paragraphs 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 12 of this memorial;

(*c*) whether the Government be pleased to inform what all steps are taken to redress the grievances mentioned in the memorial;

(*d*) whether the Hon'ble Minister has promised in the last Budget Session that he will reconsider the question of separate representation which includes also Koonamoochi Bazaar by creating a new ward;

(*e*) whether the Hon'ble Minister be pleased to consider the possibility of a separate member effecting the representation prayed for by clubbing together the following *desams* also with Koonamoochi Bazaar as one ward.—

(*i*) പന്നിക്കോട് *Desam* in Alur Village;

(*ii*) പൊലക്ക ട്ടപയ്യർ *Desam* in Choondal Village;

(*iii*) കരകന്നിയൂർ *Desam* in Kandanisseri Village; and

(*iv*) Koonamoochi Bazaar;

(*f*) whether the Government has not allotted one additional member for Choondal Group Panchayat;

(*g*) whether the Government cannot with much difficulty allocate this member for the separate ward constituted as in sub-division (*e*) referred to above?

**Dr. A. R. Menon** *(Minister for Rural Development)*:

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Copy of the memorial is placed on the Council table.

(*c*) The works requested for will be attended to, one by one according to the availability of funds.

(*d*) According to the provisions in the Panchayat Act it is not possible to split villages into parts or to club parts of villages for purposes of election. If the bazaar will not be able to send one member from any

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one of the villages constituting it by election, Government will consider the question of nominating a member from there.

(*e*) As has been stated in the answer to (*d*) above, it is not possible to provide for *desam*-war representation now.

(*f*) No.

(*g*) No answer is necessary in view of the answer to (*f*).

**Mr. C. V. Iyyu** *(Kunnamkulam):* Will the Government be pleased to consider the advisability of nominating one member more as it is a big Panchayat ?

**Dr. A. R. Menon** *(Minister for Rural Development):* That will upset the proportion. There is a proportion of elected and nominated members and I do not know whether it will be advisable to upset the proportion. I have to consult the Departmental Head before I commit myself one way or other.

## CHALDEAN SYRIAN CHRISTIANS—APPOINTMENT OF

**9. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan** *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether any candidate from among the Chaldean Syrian Christians has been recommended for appointment by the Staff Selection Board in 1114;

(*b*) whether there are applicants from this community for Government appointments;

(*c*) how many of them were appointed in 1114 either in acting or permanent vacancies;

(*d*) what is the total population of this community in the State according to the Census of 1931 ?

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** *(Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Five were appointed to acting vacancies and one to a permanent vacancy.

(*d*) 6809.

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